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Jean-Marie BASSET et al.

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REMOVAL OF METAL IONS FROM AQUEOUS EFFLUENTS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents December 4, 2008 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2008, for which the period for response has been extended one month, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

An Appendix is attached following the signature page of this paper.